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2015 East Lamar Blvd, Arlington

President's Greeting

October 2026

Dear brothers and sisters,
Greetings in Christ.

October is here and though the world will be taken up with darkness, as servants of the Light we will be focused on advancing the kingdom of God.

Many have asked for updates on the remarkable recovery of Dr Dolezal. Here is an update his wife sent me recently:

James is improving every day, thanks much to the outpatient therapy he receives. He has been to church every Sunday and has even braved a few other outings with his family (grocery shopping and dinner out). When he's not out, he spends most of his days at home, reading, visiting with friends, or resting. Both his brain and eye injuries keep him from the kind and quantity of reading he was used to, but they're not keeping him from books. Please pray for continued healing.

We are very thankful for this good news. Please continue to pray for James, Courtney and the family.

Renovations on our new building are continuing and we hope to receive a certificate of occupancy within the next weeks. Our goal is to have everything in place for Dr Riddle's Gospels class in mid October. That will be a wonderful way to begin life at our new location.

Thank you for your prayers and support. The Lord is doing wonderful things in our midst.



Dr. Renihan's Speaking Schedule:

Oct. 3, **Sola Scriptura**, Mt. Vernon BC., Mt. Vernon, IN
Oct. 10, **Sola Scriptura**, Risen Church, Concord, NC
Oct. 17, **Sola Scriptura**, Unity Baptist Ch., Millington, TN
Oct. 24, **Sabbath**, Heritage Baptist Church, Mansfield, TX
Oct. 31, **Sola Scriptura**, Disciple Church, Whittier, CA
Nov. 2-4, **SCRBPC**, Trinity RBC, La Mirada, CA (below)
Nov. 8, **Reformation Sunday**, Edgewood BC, Anderson, IN
Nov. 14, **Baptism**, Covenant Grace Church, Syracuse, UT

IRBS On the Road Upcoming Dates



This one day event is perfect for any Christian interested in deepening their understanding of these important topics.

Event Highlights:

- Topics:

Sola Scriptura, God's Precious Gift to Us

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

Oct. 3, Mt. Vernon BC., Mt. Vernon, IN

Oct. 10, Risen Church, Concord, NC

Oct. 17, Unity Baptist Church, Millington, TN

A Deep Dive into Baptism

**** Now available at Founders Study Center!**

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

- November 14, Covenant Grace Church, Syracuse, UT

Gazing at the Glorious Trinity

Dr. Daniel Scheiderer, Assistant Professor of Christian Theology

- October 10, Covenant Grace Church, Columbia, TN

- *New Topic Available for Limited Engagements:*

The Christian's Day of Rest

Dr. James Renihan, President and Professor of Historical Theology

- October 24, Heritage Baptist Church, Mansfield, TX
- Admission is free, but please **reserve your spot**.

- Duration: 3-4 hours
- Check out **Theology in Particular** episode #221 (10/27/25) for more details.

For more information or to schedule an IRBS on the Road Day for your congregation, please contact Brent Ward at giving@irbsseminary.org.

Upcoming Courses

Legacy (self-paced) Course List

Legacy courses are pre-recorded and self-paced.

They are available each semester and follow the semester registration schedules.

Fall 2026 Course Schedule

Registration closes 10/5. Contact admissions for help.

Intro to Research Writing - M. Grinder
Hebrew II - J. Wilson
Foundations of Theology - C. Rennie
Prophets - D. Grumbles
Gospels - J. Riddle
Homiletics I - J.R. Davidson
Preaching Practicum I - J. R. Davidson
Doctrine of the Church - D. Scheiderer
Christology - D. Scheiderer

Winter 2027 Courses

Pastoral Counseling - J.R. Davidson

Schedule TBA. Registration opens 10/31.

Missions & Evangelism - C. Vegas

Class to be held in Tijuana, Mexico. Live attendance required. Spots are limited.
Registration is now open.

Missions & Evangelism

On the campus of 
Live in
Tijuana, Mexico
with Chad Vegas

January 18-22, 2027



Spring 2027 Courses

Schedule coming soon. Registration opens December 2.

Hebrew III - J. Wilson
History & Wisdom - K. Wang
Apologetics in Ministry (intensive) - I. Fuller
Ancient Church/Patristics- J. Montgomery
Sacramentology - J.M. Renihan

Homiletics II - J.R. Davidson
Preaching Practicum II - J.R. Davidson
Theological Anthropology - D. Scheiderer
Eschatology - D. Scheiderer
Covenant Theology - D. Scheiderer

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Email admissions@irbsseminary.org for more information about any IRBS classes.

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Register at 2lbcf350.org. Discounts for young adults, students, and children.

Join us the week before the conference
for a Baptist History Tour hosted by Dr. Renihan,
where we'll visit many sites directly related
to the lives of the men who wrote our confession.

August 19-25, 2027



The Bus Tour Includes:

- Roundtrip flight from DFW to London (other departure cities available)
- Deluxe motorcoach
- First-class hotels for the tour & choice of London hotel for the conference
- Experienced British tour manager
- Admission fees for sight-seeing stops
- And much more!

[More Info](#)

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More Upcoming Conferences



Of Adoption & Sanctification

November 2 & 3

Trinity Reformed Baptist Church, La Mirada, CA

Speakers include:

James Renihan

Daniel Scheiderer

Drew Sparks

Registration closes Oct. 28

Particular Baptist Theological Society 2027

The Work of the Holy Spirit in Sanctification



Now accepting proposals for the 2027 meeting of the Particular Baptist Theological Society.

- Proposal Deadline: December 15, 2026
 - PBTS Meeting: Friday, May 14, 2027
- Proposal maximum 300 words
- Email proposals to pbts@irbs.org.
- Proposals should include the title of the paper and a summary of the presentation.
 - Priority will be given to papers related to the topic **The Work of the Holy Spirit in Sanctification**, especially those related to the great Baptist Confessions.
 - All submissions should be in accord with the New Hampshire Confession of Faith.

[Learn More](#)

[Register to attend](#)

Student-led Missions Prayer Meeting

All are welcome to join us **Saturday, October 24**, at 10am CT for the **Haystack Prayer Meeting**. We will be joining together to pray for the work of missions throughout the world. The New Creation Mandate given by the Lord Jesus Christ to his disciples to "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations," stands now and even to the end of the age. Therefore, let us join ourselves in prayer, beseeching our God for the building of his everlasting kingdom.

[Click here](#) to join that morning. Link is also posted in the Populi dashboard and calendar.

Questions may be emailed to bnasmith1@gmail.com.

Partner Church Members have auditing fees reduced

Did you know that lay members of IRBS Partner Churches enjoy reduced auditing fees on their choice of IRBS classes? Contact giving@irbsseminary.org to join today!

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Perlego

Digital Library Access

Beginning with the fall semester, students will be granted access to Perlego's extensive online library, to make reading materials more accessible for all. Auditors may request access for a licensing fee. First come, first serve.

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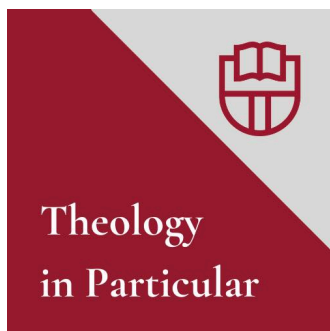


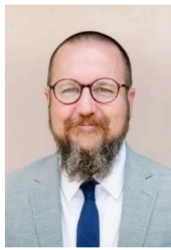
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Just a few minutes to listen? Check out our microcast, featuring brief discussions between Dr. Renihan & Pastor Fred Pugh, IRBS Chairman of the Board, on matters about and within the 2nd London Confession of Faith. Listen on your favorite podcast app or find all episodes on our [website](#) and [YouTube](#).

Prayer Requests

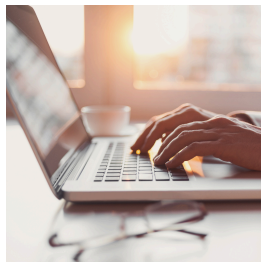
Praise God for His many blessings, including:

- Dr. Dolezal's continued recovery
- The progress of building renovations
- The Perlego digital library subscription, making reading materials more available to students around the world
- A new IRBS On-the-Road seminar

Please pray for:

- The building to be ready to host classes in mid-October
- Dr. Dolezal's continued recovery
- Preparations for the 2027 England Bus Tour & Conference
- Growth of our residential student body

Thank you for your faithful prayer support.
May IRBS continue to be an effective tool in His hand.
Soli Deo Gloria!



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